

## Summary of changes: FRS 09-10

This document summarises the changes that will be made to the Family Resources Survey Questionnaire following the Summer 2008 consultation. Please note that this document does not include details of any changes to DWP processing.

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### New Questions

- Receipt and value of Disabled Person's allowance (Northern Ireland Only)
- Receipt and value of Lone Pensioner allowance (Northern Ireland Only)
- General Rates Relief (Northern Ireland Only)
  - Receipt and value of rates relief
  - Value of rates payable had the rates relief not been applicable
- Receipt and value of rates relief for full-time students, trainees, under 18s and those leaving care (Northern Ireland only)
- Receipt and value of Adult Learning Grant
- For all those with current accounts, value held at the end of the month
- Direct receipt of Housing Benefit payments
- If lived in the house for less than 2 years, whether moved in after 7<sup>th</sup> April 2008 (when the Local Housing Allowance was rolled out nationally).
- Confirmation of difference between reported rent and value of Housing Benefit.
- Arrangements for childcare when working and no formal childcare arrangements reported
- Value of benefits in kind:
  - Fuel for private use
  - Smart pensions
  - Childcare vouchers
- Confirmation of absent spouse intending to be away for 12 months or more
- Approximate total value of benefit receipt
- Receipt of Carer's Allowance for children

### Deleted Questions

- References to order books (these no longer exist)
- Value of Winter Fuel Benefit (DWP will be imputing a value)

## Amended Questions

- Health In Pregnancy Grant
  - New category added to Ben4Q
- Adult Learning Option
  - Category (and helpscreen information) removed from Train
  - Category (and helpscreen information) added to NewDType
- Social Services Direct Payment Scheme
  - Instruction to exclude Social Services Direct Payments at Ben5Q, Ben2Q and Ben2QFut
- Child Support Agency
  - Change reference from Child Maintenance and Enforcement Commission to Child Support Agency at MrChWhy, MntArr, MntGov and MntPay
- Childcare vouchers
  - Interviewer instruction to exclude childcare vouchers when reporting deductions from salary at OthDed and OthDed1
  - Checks for when value of other deductions from salary is the same as reported value of childcare vouchers
- Cost of childcare
  - Routing amended so Cost to be asked of those who do not know the number of hours of care
- Housing Benefit Receipt for benefit units that do not contain the household reference person
  - Routing amended so HBOthBU to be asked once of each benefit unit
- Payments made for external child
  - Interviewer note added to exclude tuition fees at NHHFee
- Extended Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit
  - Double check receipt of benefit at Ben5Q
- Qualification
  - Increase number of options on the showcard at HiQual2
  - Additional interviewer instructions at HiQual1 and OthQual
- Any Account
  - Extra answer category to differentiate refusals from don't knows at AnyAcc
- Date of Birth
  - Additional interview instructions at DoB
- Year arrived in the country
  - Additional interviewer instructions at CameYr and CameYr2
- Childcare arrangements
  - Additional helpscreen information at ChAtt
- Progressive health condition
  - Additional interviewer instructions at DDAProg and CDDAPrg
- Benefits in kind
  - Additional showcard at ExpBen
- Working Tax Credit
  - Additional helpscreen information at TaxCred
- Number of weeks claiming Income Support or Jobseekers Allowance

- Additional interviewer instructions at ISWks and JSAWKs
- Irregular child maintenance payments
  - Additional showcard at MntRec
- Number of televisions
  - Change CoITV and BWTV to a running prompt so respondents do not need to count number of television sets
- Personal Equity Plans (PEPs)
  - Remove PEP answer category at Invests
- Reasons for data linking refusal
  - Increase answer categories at LnkRef
- Language
  - Increase answer categories at WhLang and LngDf
- Older people material deprivation
  - Additional interviewer instructions at OAOut, OACook and OAPhon
- Help given and received
  - Additional interviewer instructions, show cards and routing changed (to be asked at benefit unit level) at hlpgvn and hlpref
- Structural insurance
  - Question wording of StrMort and StrOths simplified
- Years in work
  - Additional interviewer instructions at Ftwk and Ptwk
- Standard Industrial Classification
  - Replace SIC with SIC2007
- Pension provision
  - Question wording and routing corrected
- Child Benefit and Child Tax Credit
  - New check added where child benefit is reported but child tax credits have not
- Employers pension scheme
  - New check to ensure that deductions and pension types are consistent.
- Employment Support Allowance
  - ESA check corrected

## Documentation Changes

Following the Summer 2009 review of FRS user documentation, the following documents will no longer be routinely available alongside the 0910 FRS dataset:

- All imputation documentation;
- Min\_Mean\_Max;
- DV meta;
- Grossing documentation;
- All metadata (except for the benefits map, the hierdoc, and the flatfile documentation)

## Other Changes

Following the Summer 2009 review of variables used by key FRS customers, the following derived variables will be removed from the 0910 FRS dataset:

TABLE	VARIABLE	TABLE	VARIABLE	TABLE	VARIABLE
ADULT	CRUNACI	HOUSEHOL	PACCTYPE	HOUSEHOL	PRBOCTH
ADULT	ENOMORTI	BENUNIT	FAMTYPE	HOUSEHOL	SAYECTH
ADULT	FSBNDCTI	BENUNIT	FSBNDCTB	HOUSEHOL	BASACTH
ADULT	NSBOCTI	BENUNIT	GEBACTB	HOUSEHOL	CRUNACH
ADULT	OTBSCTI	BENUNIT	GILTCTB	HOUSEHOL	CURACTH
ADULT	PRBOCTI	BENUNIT	ISACTB	HOUSEHOL	ENDOWPAY
ADULT	SAYECTI	BENUNIT	LASTWORK	HOUSEHOL	ENOMORTH
ADULT	SCLBCTI	BENUNIT	NSBOCTB	HOUSEHOL	FSBNDCTH
ADULT	SSCTI	BENUNIT	OTBSCTB	HOUSEHOL	GEBACTH
BENUNIT	ACTACCB	BENUNIT	PEPSCTB	HOUSEHOL	GILTCTH
BENUNIT	BASACTB	BENUNIT	POACCTB	HOUSEHOL	HCBAND
BENUNIT	CRUNACB	BENUNIT	POCARDB	HOUSEHOL	HHCOMP
BENUNIT	CURACTB	BENUNIT	PRBOCTB	HOUSEHOL	HHETHGR2
BENUNIT	DEPDEDS	BENUNIT	SAYECTB	HOUSEHOL	HHKIDS
BENUNIT	ECOTYPBU	BENUNIT	SCLBCTB	HOUSEHOL	HHSIZE
BENUNIT	ENOMORTB	BENUNIT	SSCTB	HOUSEHOL	SCLBCTH
HOUSEHOL	HRBAND	BENUNIT	STSHCTB	HOUSEHOL	SERVPAY
HOUSEHOL	ISACTH	BENUNIT	UNTRCTB	HOUSEHOL	SICK
HOUSEHOL	NDDCTB	HOUSEHOL	ACTACCH	HOUSEHOL	SICKHRP
HOUSEHOL	NDDISHC	HOUSEHOL	PEPSCTH	HOUSEHOL	SSCTH
HOUSEHOL	NSBOCTH	HOUSEHOL	POACCTH	HOUSEHOL	STSHCTH
HOUSEHOL	OTBSCTH	HOUSEHOL	POCARDH	HOUSEHOL	TESSCTH

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